

AMESBURY
City Hall
62 Friend Street
Amesbury, MA
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Special City Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 23, 2021
Virtual Meeting
7:30 or immediately following Finance Committee

The meeting was conducted under S. 2475, An act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the state of emergency, signed on June 16, 2021.

The public was able to view this meeting on:

- ACTV Channel 12
- the ACTV website; amesburyctv.org/channel-12-live
- or the ACTV Facebook Page:
www.facebook.com/AmesburyCommunityTelevision
- also by dialing in using their phone +1(872) 240-3212 Access Code: 214-060-629
- There is no public comment during special meetings

Copies of agenda items (first and second readings) can be found online at www.amesburyma.gov/citycouncil/pages/2021-council-bills.

The meeting was called to order at 8:34pm

Members present were: Councilors Gilday, Hogg, Lennon, Mandeville, Rinaldi, Stanganelli, Wheeler and Einson.

Second Readings:
Public Hearings:

2021-146 An Order to adopt the Precinct Boundary Map as amended by the 2020 Federal Census. - Mayor Sponsor

Summary: Every ten years after the Federal Census is complete, new precinct boundary lines are drawn to reflect changes in the city's population and to anticipate the needs of the city's election system for the next decade.

Councilor Einson stated that he has been notified that there needs to be some changes made to this and therefore would entertain a motion to send this to the Special City Council meeting to be held on December 7, 2021.

Councilor Lennon moved to continue 2021-146 to the December 7, 2021

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Councilor Wheeler seconded.
A roll call vote was taken and it was voted in favor, Unanimous.

First Readings:

2021-152 An order to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Town of West Newbury to administer Covid-19 vaccine clinics – Mayor Sponsor

Summary: The City of Amesbury is acting as the fiduciary agent for the Lower Merrimack Valley Regional Collaboration (LMVRC), which is operating COVID-19 vaccine clinics in Amesbury and surrounding communities. The Town of West Newbury, which is also operating clinics, asked for a Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Amesbury to define the nature and scope of reimbursement to the LMVRC communities. M.G.L. c. 40 s. 4A requires the City Council approval of such agreements.

Councilor Einson stated that because this is a special meeting we need a vote to suspend Rule 5D which would preclude them from being able to take up new items during special meetings.

Councilor Stanganelli moved to suspend Rule 5D of the Council rules.
Councilor Lennon seconded.
A roll call vote was taken and it was voted in favor, Unanimous.

Councilor Einson then stated that in order to expedite this instead of going the normal path of referring this to committee and then picking this up at the next regular scheduled meeting he would like a motion to suspend Rule 6E of the Council Rules which requires us to refer to committee before the second meeting.

Councilor Stanganelli moved to suspend Rule 6E of the Council Rules.
Councilor Hogg seconded.

Councilor Lennon stated that she is not aware of a representation of a timeline and would like some clarity about that.

Councilor Einson stated that there was no one in attendance from the Mayor's Office to speak on that.

Councilor Wheeler stated that Mr. Fahey is on vacation and should be back for our December 7 meeting.

Councilor Lennon asked if we have a copy of this memo.

Councilor Wheeler stated that a copy of the Memorandum of Agreement was part of bill that was sent out via e-mail by Amanda with the agenda. Also, he wanted to note that this needed to be added to the website.

A roll call vote was taken and it was voted in favor (7) opposed (1) Lennon

Councilor Wheeler moved to set a public hearing for December 7, 2021 for item 2021-152. Councilor Gilday seconded.

A roll call vote was taken and it was voted in favor (7) opposed (1) Lennon

Councilor Lennon moved to adjourn at 8:44pm.

Councilor Wheeler seconded.

A roll call vote was taken and it was in favor Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Dunning
Assistant City Clerk